

## REGULAR MEETING-MANSFIELD TOWN COUNCIL-JULY 28, 2003

Deputy Mayor Gregory Haddad called the regular meeting of the Mansfield Town Council to order at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber of the Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building.

I. ROLL CALL

Present: Bellm, Haddad, Hawkins, Holinko, Martin  
Absent: Paterson, Rosen, Schaefer, Thorkelson

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Hawkins moved and Mr. Martin seconded to approve the minutes of July 14, 2003.

Motion so passed. Mr. Bellm abstained.

III. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

Joyce Crepeau, 244 So. Eagleville Road, expressed concern over the fence which partially surrounds the Bicentennial Pond. Her son ripped his ear on the wire.

IV. PUBLIC HEARING

1. Solid Waste Regulations

No comments from the audience on this issue. Public Hearing opened at 7:35 p.m. closed at 7:36 p.m.

V. OLD BUSINESS

3. Solid Waste Regulations-Commercial Bulky Waste

Mr. Martin moved and Mr. Bellm seconded to adjourn as the Town Council and convene as the Mansfield Resource Recovery Authority.

So passed unanimously.

MRRA:

Mr. Martin moved, effective July 28, 2003, to adopt the amendments to the Mansfield Solid Waste Regulations as presented by town staff in its draft dated July 28, 2003, and which amendments will become effective 21 days after publication in a newspaper having circulation in the town of Mansfield. Motion seconded by Mr. Holinko.

Motion so passed unanimously.

Mr. Martin moved and Mr. Bellm seconded to adjourn as the MRRA and reconvene as the Town Council.

So passed unanimously.

4. Issues Regarding the UConn Landfill including the UConn Consent Order, Public Participation Relative to the Consent Order and Well Testing

No comment from the Council.

5. Funding of Connecticut Conference of Municipalities (CCM) Lawsuits against the State

Mr. Hawkins moved and Mr. Bellm seconded that effective July 28, 2003 to authorize the Town Manager to contribute up to \$600 toward the funding of two lawsuits-Andover et. al v. Ryan and Andover et al v. Wyman-that the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities brought against the State of Connecticut to compel the state to pay municipalities under two grant programs.

Motion so passed unanimously.

6. Underage Drinking, University Spring Weekend and President Austin's Task Force on Substance Abuse

In the packet the Town Council received several samples of ordinances and legislature regarding this issue. This information should be helpful as the issue continues to be studied.

RETURN TO PUBLIC HEARING

- 2. Modifications to Fee Waiver Ordinance

- No comments from the public. Hearing opened at 7:45 p.m. closed at 7:46 p.m.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

7. Emergency Smallpox Preparedness

Mr. Martin moved and Mr. Hawkins seconded that effective July 28, 2003, to authorize the Town Manager to execute the attached Memorandum of Understanding from the Eastern Highlands Health District titled "Planning and Implementation of Emergency Smallpox Countermeasures."

Mr. Rob Miller, Director of the Eastern Highlands Health District spoke to this issue.

So passed unanimously.

8 Bonding for Proposed Modular Classrooms

Mr. Martin moved and Mr. Bellm seconded to postpone indefinitely the referendum question on the financing of proposed modular classrooms at Goodwin and Vinton Elementary Schools.

So passed unanimously.

9. Small Cities Grant Closeout-Housing Rehabilitation

Mr. Martin moved and Mr. Bellm seconded to approve the attached resolution effective July 28, 2003, to close out Small Cities Grant #1997-078-052-000-000025 Housing Rehabilitation.

So passed unanimously.

10. Agreement between Town and Mansfield and Uniformed Professional Fire Fighters of Connecticut

Mr. Hawkins moved and Mr. Martin seconded that effective July 28, 2003, to authorize the Town Manager to execute the attached preliminary agreement between the Town of Mansfield and the Uniformed Professional Fire Fighters of Connecticut for the term beginning July 1, 2003 and ending June 30, 2005.

So passed unanimously.

11. Wildlife Incentives Program (WHIP) for Mt. Hope, Eagleville Preserve, Fifty-foot Cliff Preserve and Old Spring Hill Field

Mr. Martin moved and Mr. Bellm seconded that effective, July 28, 2003, to authorize staff to submit proposals to include Mt. Hope Park, Eagleville Preserve, Fifty-foot Cliff Preserve and Old Spring Hill Field within the Natural Resources Conservation Service's Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program.

So passed unanimously.

11b. Mr. Bellm moved and Mr. Martin seconded to add Cancellation of the Aug. 11, 2003 meeting to the agenda.

So passed unanimously.

Mr. Martin moved and Mr. Bellm seconded to cancel the Aug. 11, 2003 meeting.

So passed unanimously.

VII. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

VIII. REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

IX. REPORTS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

X. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

The Community Center will not be completed until the fall. Parks and Recreation Director, Curt Vincente told the Council that 650 memberships have been bought. This is over the proposed amount for this time and date.

Question on the issue of the firefighters who volunteer in another town. The question is; in case of an accident which town is liable? The town the firefighter works for, or the town in which he volunteers.

Bus passes. Town Council member Martin asked about the free bus pass for Mansfield residents. Mr. Hultgren explained where the Town and University were in negotiating with the Undergraduate and Graduate student governing bodies.

Mr. Martin moved and Mr. Hawkins seconded to add bus passes to the agenda.

So passed unanimously.

Mr. Martin moved and Mr. Bellm seconded to authorize the Town Manager to implement the free bus pass service, even for a few months, while the Town continues its' negotiations for the year.

So passed unanimously.

On September 3, the Public will have an opportunity to discuss the landfill issue and where the University is with the remedial action design.

The University will be having fireworks for the incoming freshmen on August 22, 2003 on the University campus.

#### XI. FUTURE AGENDAS

Fence problem at Bicentennial Pond.

Selection of Council member

Mr. Martin moved and Mr. Hawkins seconded to add to the agenda appointment of Town Council member for vacancy created by Mr. Rosen moving out of town.

So passed unanimously.

Mr. Bellm moved and Mr. Martin seconded to appoint Mr. Bruce Clouette to the position on the Town Council vacated by Mr. Rosen beginning August 5, 2003.

So passed unanimously.

#### XII. PETITIONS, REQUESTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

12. R. Sherman re: Mansfield Democratic Town Committee Recommendation to Fill Vacancy

13. C. Hirsch re: Zoning Citations Ordinance

14. University of Connecticut 2002 Drinking Water Report

15. Connecticut State Library re: Historic Document Preservation Grant

16. C.van Zelm re: Mansfield Downtown Partnership June 30, 2003 Progress Report

17. Grand Shart, LLC vs. Town of Mansfield

18. D. Dagon re: FY 2003 Homeland Security Grant Program

19. Mansfield Downtown Partnership re: Town's Plan of Conservation and Development

20. Department of Environmental Protection-State of Connecticut v. UConn
21. The Wildlife Observer-"Mansfield Cub Scouts Complete a Conservation Project"
22. Preliminary Schedule of Estimated Changes in Fund Balance as of 6/30/03
23. Government Finance Officers Association-Certificate of Recognition for Budget Preparation
24. R. Hudd re: UConn Outdoor Firing Range
25. M. Berliner re: Bicentennial Pond

XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Not needed.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

At 9:20 p.m. Mr. Martin moved and Mr. Hawkins seconded to adjourn the meeting.

So passed unanimously.

Gregory Haddad, Deputy Mayor

Joan E. Gerdson, Town Clerk